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WASHINGTON--At the request of Congressman Kika de la Garza, the U.S. Bureau of the Census will hold a community-wide meeting in Weslaco on November 17, 1989, to advise civic and community leaders, and interested individuals in Hidalgo County on Census Bureau activities and plans.

Rep de la Garza said "I have asked the Census Bureau to come down to our area and brief everyone on the plans, purposes and techniques of the upcoming 1990 Decennial Census of the U.S. population."

The federal government conducts a major census every ten years as required by the U.S. Constitution. The 1990 census will take place on the 200th anniversary of the first federal census taken in 1790.

Congressman de la Garza continued "It is important that we be knowledgeable about the Census and that we participate to the greatest extent possible since so much of the work done by our government--and the allocation of federal funds to our state--depends on an accurate census of our population, including demographics and life-style patterns."

The de la Garza-sponsored meeting will be held at 2:00 pm on November 17th at the Best Western Palm Aire Motor Inn located at 415 South International Boulevard in Weslaco, and it will be conducted by Census Bureau officials.

All interested individuals throughout the area are invited to attend this important meeting as preparations continue for the 1990 Census.

"Anyone wishing additional information can call my McAllen Congressional District office at 682-5545," de la Garza said.

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